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## Alumni elections held; Beach wins presidency

by CARLA HARPER

Randy Beach, political science major now working as a salesman for Teekell Insurance Agency, was elected president of the LSUS Alumni Association at the first meeting of the General Assembly Saturday morning in the Science Lecture Auditorium.

Chancellor Donald E. Shipp gave the welcoming address after John R. Tabor, Director of Alumni Affairs, explained the purpose of the meeting.

THE NEXT item on the agenda was the recognition of the ad hoc committee members who were appointed several weeks ago to work out the details for the formation of the association. The members were Steve Primos, assistant director of the Shreveport Regional Bicentennial Committee; Steve McDonald, sales manager for KTAL television; Larry Hilton, staff photographer for the Shreveport Journal; Georgianna Jarzabek, of the Louisiana Outdoor Drama Association; and Joe Gant, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church.

The charter was accepted as proposed by the committee. This charter makes the association a non-profit organization eligible for lower postal rates. The constitution, also drafted by the committee, was passed after lengthy discussion and several amendments.

ELECTION OF officers was the next order of business. Others elected besides Beach were first vice-president—David Gorsulowsky, who is now attending LSU School of Medicine in Shreveport; second vice-president—Marilyn Kolonko, speech therapist with the Bossier Parish School Board; secretary-treasurer—Melanie Demopolous, special education teacher in Caddo Parish schools; and representative-at-large—Steve Primos.

Each college also elected a president and two representatives, one to serve a two-year term and the other to serve a one-year term.

IN THE COLLEGE of Business Administration the following were elected: president—George Essary, employed by Hollis and Co.; two-year representative—Mike Salter, realtor associate for Phil King Real Estate; one-year representative—Jim Huckaby, agent for New York Life.

In the College of Education: president—Betty Whitehead, a homemaker; two-year representative—Deborah Dees, also a homemaker; one-year representative—Rosetta Gregorio, special education teacher at Benton Elementary.

IN THE COLLEGE of General Studies: president—Ron Gauthier, safety engineer at Riley Beard Inc.; two-year

representative—Reece Lewing; one-year representative—Ed Sanders, who is self-employed.

In the College of Liberal Arts: president—Darryll Barksdale, graduate assistant at the University of Southern Mississippi; two-year representative—Mark Jones, self-employed; one-year representative—Joe Gant, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church.

IN THE College of Science: president—Wayne Sistrunk, communications technician for AT&T; two-year representative—Randal Coon; one-year representative—George Leritte, employed by Hollis and Co.

According to President Randy Beach one of the main plans for the Association is to actively lobby for university improvements and student-body interest. "Local civic and political leaders are optimistic about the future of the Association. There is no stronger political voice for a university than an active alumni group. Our purpose is not class reunions, but rather advocating specific proposals such as appropriations for a classroom building and a gymnasium," Beach stated. "The Board of Directors will be considering numerous proposals and positions on specific issues, and we welcome input from students and faculty," he further added.

A \$100 CHECK from the graduating class of 1975 was presented to Tabor by George Essary and Ed Sanders. Among the class members who contributed were Barbara Ann Baudier, Rebecca Elaine Brown, George Newton Essary, Michael Timothy Ferrell, Carla Marie Lehnertz, Larry Gene Hilton, Cheryl Ann Holmes, Eddie Lewis Lampkin, Rex T. Mabry, William E. Malone, Carol Hamiter McKneely, Marshall Owen Millican, Edgar G. Sanders, Stephen C. Scroggins, Bailey I. Smith, Thomas Edwin Speed, Jane Blaylock Tullos, Elizabeth Ann Williams and Raymond Foster Williams.

The Alumni Association is planning to write two resolutions: 1) thanking the ad hoc committee for laying the groundwork for the Association and 2) supporting the school in its effort to gain a graduate program, according to Tabor.

A MEETING for the new officers will be held September 8 at 7:30 in the Conference room in the Science Building.



Randy Beach, (right) newly-elected president of the LSUS Alumni Association, presents a \$100 check from the 1975 graduating class to John R. Tabor, Director of Alumni Affairs. (Photo: Rocky Goodwin)

### As new term begins

## Lyons walks out on SGA

by KAY OWENS and GINA GORDEY

Student Government Association (SGA) President Billy Lyons resigned Tuesday morning "because of a conflicting class schedule and extra course load," according to Richard Dancy, succeeding president.

However, Lyons said, "I will be available to assist wherever and whenever I possibly can." In his letter of resignation Lyons stated reasons for his decision as a rigorous and irreconcilable schedule of course requirements.

DANCY SAID that he would continue to follow through with Lyons' programs such as the SGA Newsletter, Louisiana State Fair Booth, A Know Your Candidate Forum and a tight budget.

When the resignation was filed it was reported that "dirty politicking" occurred during the Tim Hardy-Billy Lyons presidential campaign last April. According to former vice-presidential candidate Jim Harvey, Lyons filed his campaign one day before deadline. Harvey further replied that four other students were seeking the position and immediately dropped their candidacy when Lyons announced his campaign. Presidential hopefuls included: Tim Hardy, Jim Harvey, Richard Dancy, and George Leritte.

ALTHOUGH THE candidates did not pursue the presidential nomination Jim Harvey and Richard Dancy decided to run for vice president. Pat Patterson and James Hytt were also in the vice-presidential race. Meanwhile, Tim Hardy re-entered the presidential election as a write-in candidate in opposition of Lyons.

Patterson, Hytt, Dancy and Harvey commented that Lyons promised his support to all vice-presidential candidates and publicly supported Dancy. "This was dirty politicking and we (the candidates) did not realize that Lyons had made these promises until we all got together and discussed it," Patterson said.

HARVEY SAID that Lyons had several "behind closed doors meetings" where Lyons was reported to have said, "Before I

took over the SGA it had a romper room image and I don't want it to revert to that again."

Harvey, Patterson and Dancy told the Almagest Tuesday that Lyons entered the campaign because "Tim Hardy would win the SGA presidential election if Lyons had not filed for the position." Furthermore Lyons told Harvey that if he did win he (Lyons) would resign during the fall semester and the job would fall to Harvey.

However, Dancy stated that he did not know anything about Lyons offering the presidential seat to Harvey and denied that Lyons had made the same offer to him.

On the other hand, Lyons said that he did say that any vice-president would take his office if he decided to resign but he did not have any intentions of resigning last April during the Hardy-Lyons campaign. "It wasn't true then and it's not true now. The resignation was not preplanned. I had to add several more hours to graduate in the fall and my student teaching took up too much of my time," Lyons replied.

Dancy stated that he knew that Lyons had not preplanned the resignation because, "I would have been better prepared for the job." He further stated that if the Almagest printed this controversy the SGA would come to a standstill and everyone would be trying to get their names in the paper. "I cannot stress to you how important it is for the SGA to move forward and this action will only slow our progress," he concluded.

Finally, Lyons appointed Randy Alley as SGA vice-president Tuesday. However, to hold the office he must have completed 45 hours. Alley told the Almagest that he has earned only 39 hours and the situation will be under consideration at the SGA meeting today.

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# Resignation causes controversy

Although past LSUS Student Government Associations (SGA) have gained the reputation of being unorganized political circuses, Billy Lyons' leadership gradually brought some of these attitudes to an end.

While dedicating himself to the SGA, Lyons partially removed the "romper room" image that had appeared during the previous years, and was the only SGA president to be re-elected for a second term.

In doing this he helped establish a rapport between the SGA and the student body.

Tuesday, Lyons resigned. During the second week of his second term Lyons left the office to an unprepared succeeding president and an unqualified acting vice-president.

Although Richard Dancy has been involved in SGA activities for more than two years he has never held an executive position. Therefore, he is stumbling into the seat inexperienced.

Before leaving office Lyons appointed Randy Alley, past president pro tempore of the Senate, as SGA Vice-president.

Although Alley possesses good leadership ability and a positive outlook for student welfare, he unfortunately (for LSUS) lacks six hours of credit to qualify for vice-president. Perhaps this will be remedied by lowering the hour requirements for the office.

Lyons and Dancy have always publicly supported one another, so, presumably Dancy will attempt to follow through with Lyons' better programs.

However, when asked about his own future plans, Dancy evaded the issue.

Apparently, the present situation will handicap the SGA's progress for the upcoming year.

The former president stated his reason for resigning was because of a "rigorous and irreconcilable class schedule."

Lyons, a graduating senior, has been at LSUS and in SGA long enough that he should have perceived the hard work and long hours needed for both.

Rumors have stated that Lyons' resignation was preplanned to kill Tim Hardy's presidential campaign last spring. Whether or not the accusations are true, Lyons left the office during an unfavorable time.

As a leader who professed to be concerned for student welfare, Lyons should have considered the issue before he filed his candidacy.

## S.G.A.-DEVIL'S PARADISE ?



## Letters to the Editor

### Alumni affairs

To the Editor:

Sixteen months after the first graduating class of LSUS last walked the campus as students, we have joined with those who followed us across that threshold to form the Alumni Association. This is a very important and exciting stage in the development of any university.

In recent days, many have asked what the purpose of the group is, and why it has drawn so much attention. Our purpose is to actively pursue improvements for LSUS, whether they be construction projects, new academic programs, or expansion of student activities.

I am very proud to say that the majority of our alumni now hold notable positions in our community. Others have chosen to pursue careers outside this area. But they too, are com-

municating their loyal support to our Alumni Affairs Director, John Tabor.

Many of the most prominent economic and civic leaders in Northwest Louisiana now employ LSUS graduates, and are directly benefitting from the high calibre of education at the University. We, as alumni, must enlist their aid and support for our legislative programs and our academic endeavors.

With the excellence of our

faculty, the persistent energy of our student leaders, and a community too long in need of a state university, we can only progress. We will need support and encouragement from all three groups, and I am confident we will have it.

I look forward to working with Chancellor Shipp and Mr. Tabor for our school, Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

Randal M. Beach, President  
LSUS Alumni Association

## Policy on Letters

The Almagest welcomes all letters to the Editor and will print as many as space permits. We ask that they be limited to 300 words, typed (doubled spaced) and on the Editor's desk (Bronson Hall, room 328) by 8 a.m. Tuesdays.

No letter will be printed unless it is signed by the writer. We also ask that the writer's address and telephone number be included.

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# SGA nominates pres. pro tempore

by DON WAITT

Last Friday's SGA meeting saw the nomination and approval of 10 new senators, the approval of a new budget, the dissolving of the Office of Special Research (OSR) of the Executive Branch and the elections of a new president pro tempore and parliamentarian.

Billy Lyons, former SGA president, nominated 10 new senators. Approved as senators were Martha White, Science; Jan Daczyk and Kathleen Douciere, Business; Mark Stephens, Liberal Arts; Jennifer Williams, Education; Carolyn Cluck, General Studies; Bill Bolinger, Stuart Pitts, Angiol Villar and Wanda Coe, senators-at-large.

LYONS SUBMITTED a new budget of \$6500 that was unanimously approved by the Senate. The subtotals were wages, \$2850; travel, \$800; supplies and expenses

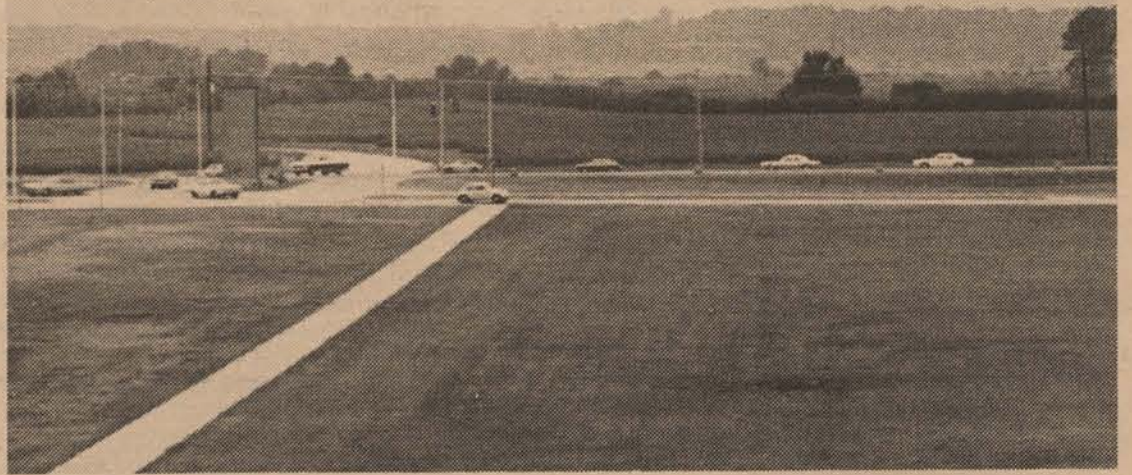
(general), \$1120; supplies and expenses (promotional), \$350 and capital outlay, \$1380.

The controversial OSR issue was resolved with the dissolving of the office by a 17-1-2 vote. James Hytt, former director of the OSR, was released from his position this past summer.

Randy Alley, political science major, was elected president pro tempore and Pat Dowling, a biology major, was elected parliamentarian, both by unanimous consent.

TWO RESOLUTIONS, 76-36 and 76-39, were left in committee. Resolution 76-38 was dispensed with by a 20-0-0 vote.

The last order of business was the introduction of Senate Resolution 77-1 by Lyons as Janet Messer's proxy. It stated; "Moved, that the Rules of Order be changed or amended to include that the proxy of a senator shall have the minimum GPA (2.0) or as required by the Constitution."



Moderate traffic appears only at extreme early and late hours. By rough calculations an LSUS driver can enter the left turn lane of Youree Drive at 7:40 a.m., then twenty minutes and five green lights later, locate a parking space by 8 a.m. (photo: Denise Allen)

## National Teacher Examinations scheduled here if 30 register

National Teacher Examinations (NTE) will be given at LSUS next year if 30 applicants register here by Sept. 20, according to Dr. Gale Bridger, director of student teaching.

Students completing teacher preparation programs may take the NTE on any of the three different test dates announced recently by Educational Testing Service (ETS), a non-profit, educational organization which prepares and administers this testing program.

Dates for the testing of

prospective teachers are: Nov. 13, Feb. 19, 1977, and July 16, 1977. The tests will be given at nearly 400 locations throughout the United States, Dr. Bridger said.

Results of the NTE are used by many large school districts as one of several factors in the selection of new teachers and by several states for certification or licensing of teachers. Some colleges also require all seniors preparing to teach to take the exams.

On each full day of testing, prospective teachers may take the Common Examinations which measure their professional preparation and general educational background and an Area Examination which

measures their mastery of the subject they expect to teach.

Prospective candidates should contact the school systems in which they seek employment, or their colleges, for specific advice on which examinations to take and on which dates they should be taken.

"The Bulletin of Information for Candidates" contains a list of test centers, and general information about the examinations, as well as a registration form. Copies may be obtained from college placement officers, school personnel departments or contact College of Education Department Chairman Bobby Taberlet.

### 51st Annual Meeting

#### Norman Dolch named chairman

Norman Dolch, assistant professor of Sociology at LSUS has been named arrangements chairman for the Louisiana Academy of Science's 51st Annual Meeting, which will be hosted by LSUS Feb. 3-5.

The meeting, being held on the LSUS campus for the first time, is expected to draw some 300 professional scientists from colleges, universities, and industries from throughout Louisiana. Also attending will be some 100 high school students, all members of the Louisiana Junior Academy of Sciences, who will meet in conjunction with the senior group.

Formed in 1927, the academy's purposes are to encourage research among Louisiana scientists; to

establish scholarships and awards to encourage scientific research; and to encourage the adoption of scientific methods. The academy's current president is Dr. M. Wayne Hanson, chairman of the Chemistry Department at Centenary College.

During their three-day meeting, the academy's members will present scientific papers on research in such disciplines as chemistry, agriculture, botany, mathematics, the social sciences, zoology, and more.

Also planned are exhibits from industrial organizations.

Dolch said inputs to the academy's program will begin arriving in October and that the agenda should be complete by mid-December.

Dolch's appointment was announced by Dr. Gary Brashier, LSUS vice-chancellor for academic affairs, who also named Dr. Laurence M. Hardy, LSUS associate professor of Biological Sciences, program chairman, and John Powell, LSUS director of conferences and institutes as assistant.

## Debate Team opens season, as top-ranked organization

The Louisiana State University in Shreveport Debate Team will open its 1976-77 season by taking part in the Louisiana Forensic Association Workshop Sept. 18 in Lafayette, according to LSUS Director of Forensics Dr. Frank Lower.

The LSUS Pilots, one of the top-ranked debate teams in Louisiana, will begin competing for awards at the Southwestern Louisiana Debate Tournament, scheduled for Oct. 15-16 in Hammond, Lower stated.

Composed of 15 members, most of whom are in their freshman years, the LSUS Debate Team currently is the university's only intercollegiate representative. Last year, the team won 55 awards and trophies while taking first in state junior team, first and second in state extemporaneous speaking, and third place statewide in team standing.

Lower said the debate topic for 1976-77 will be "Resolved: That the Federal Government should significantly strengthen the guarantee of consumer product safety required of manufacturers."

A member of Region Six of the National Debate Tournament, the LSUS team has received approval from Pi Kappa Delta, the forensic national fraternity, to form a chapter at the LSUS campus, and will attend the fraternity's national convention and tournament in Seattle, Wash., Mar. 19-23.

Forensic Classic for high schools, Jan. 7-8.

LSUS Debate Team members include: seniors Rebecca Hudsmith, and Donald Wright;

sophomores Rhett Myers and Raelene Pell; and freshmen Ronald Boswell, Ingrid Cireno, Sherry Decker, James Herring, Dennis Parker, Jennifer Sartor, Donald Sklar, Mark Snellgrove, Byron Spinks, Cheryl Warren, and Beth Wright.

## Honor Fraternity formed

Forty students at LSUS have been inducted into Alpha Sigma Omicron, an honor fraternity for students who have at least a 3.5 grade average, according to Becky Hudsmith, president.

New officers of the organization are Rebecca Hudsmith, president, Tommy Brown, second vice-president; James Alford, third vice-president and Charles Kessler, secretary-treasurer.

Newly initiated members and their major fields of study are Paula J. Abel, social studies; Richard Agolia, finance; James M. Alford, biological sciences; Michael B. Beason, science and medicine; Doris Rane Beaty, sociology; Eric Bennos, biological sciences; Jack T. Blakely, business administration; Thomas A. Brown, science.

Kathlyn E. Crane, accounting; Laverne H. Day, elementary education; Vicki J. Edison, liberal arts; Janet L. Flicker, education; Deborah A. Freeman, biological sciences; Oliver D. Gilliam, biological sciences; Diane M. Haase, science and medicine; Sharon

M. Haughee, science.

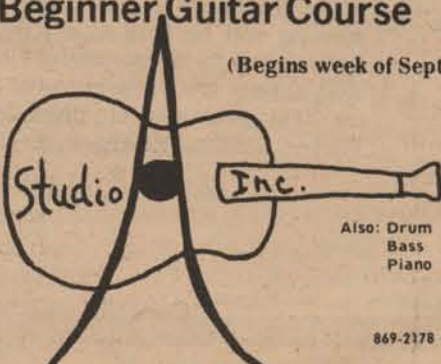
Cathy D. Hollier, English education; Sarah M. H. House, speech and hearing therapy; Lawrence W. Jones Jr., chemistry; Charles W. Kessler, science; Debra L. Lea, elementary education; William K. Lee, science; Rupert Gary Madden, science and medicine; Clare W. Marlowe, psychology.

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### Fall Beginner Guitar Course

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## Library Hotline

"WHAT HOURS WILL THE LIBRARY BE OPEN FOR THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND?"

The library will close at 5 p.m. Friday and reopen at 7:45 A.M. Tuesday. No hours this Sunday or Monday.



# Campus Briefs

## Coffee House Circuit

Speakers and topics have been announced for the September Coffee House Circuit, held at noon in the Snack Shack. Mr. J. Wilhite, executive vice-president of Arkla Gas, will speak Sept. 13 on "The Energy Crisis", and on Sept. 20, Dr. Phillip Scherer, chairman of the Economics and Finance Departments, will discuss "The High Cost of Ecology." On Sept. 27, "The Mars Probe" will be offered by the Physics Department.

## Travel grant

The LSU Foundation has recently awarded LSUS a grant of \$879.50 to be used for international travel by the faculty according to Dr. Gary Brashier, vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs.

Proposals must be submitted prior to September 30 after which they will be evaluated and the recipients notified. Each proposal should bear the signature of the faculty member, his chairman, and his dean.

## BSU invitation

The Baptist Student Union invites all students for free lunch and worship experience each Wednesday, noon-12:50 p.m., in the Broadmoor Assembly of God Church on the southwest corner of the campus. Bible study is held each Monday, noon-12:50 p.m., also. Fall retreat will be at the Westwind Encampment on Black Lake, September 12. Please call 865-5615 for information and reservations.

## Prof speaks

Dr. Bobby Tabarlet, dean of the College Education, on Sept. 11 will address the Louisiana Teacher's Association Conference on Higher Education and the Professional Associations concerning the work of the LTA's Professional Rights and Responsibilities Committee. Dean Tabarlet is vice-chairman of that committee.

## National seminar

Dr. Jimmie N. Smith, who along with C. R. McPherson recently attended a national seminar on "Student Admissions and Retention," reports he will be glad to discuss that topic and/or faculty advising with any department or college.

## Small business

For the third consecutive years, the Small Business Administration has awarded a contract to the College of Business Administration to consult with small business firms in the area. The program is supervised by Dr. John L. Berton, chairman of the Department of Business Administration.

## Faculty softball

The spring and summer Faculty Softball Team is planning a covered-dish supper at the Quail Creek Club Room on Sept. 11, starting at 7 p.m. All team members and their dates are invited.

## Calendar

Friday, September 3, 1976  
2 and 8 p.m. "Tommy," SLA.  
Tennis ladder play begins.

Monday, September 1, 1976  
Labor Day. No classes today.

Tuesday, September 7, 1976  
Flag football play begins.  
Deadline for corecreational volleyball entries.  
French-speaking students meeting in BH132 at noon for sack lunch.

Wednesday, September 8, 1976  
Volleyball league play begins.  
Deadlines for Frisbee and Softball Tournament entries.

Friday, September 10, 1976  
2 and 8 p.m. "Straw Dog," SLA.

## Honor Society

Alpha Sigma Omicron, the LSUS Honor Society, will offer its tutoring program every Wednesday in Bronson Hall, room 108, from noon to 2 p.m. The program is designed for all LSUS students who need help in any area of study.

## Registration

Enrollment at LSUS totaled 3,093 for the fall semester late Thursday. A total of 2,955 students enrolled during the regular registration last week and 138 students enrolled during late registration Thursday.

## Health Science

Dr. Jeff Faludi, ophthalmologist, will be the guest speaker at the Health Science Club meeting Sept. 14, at 5 p.m. in the Science Building, room 229. Dr. Faludi will speak on eye surgery.

## Labor Day

A holiday schedule will be observed Monday, Sept. 6, Labor Day, by the students, staff and faculty members. The library will close at 5 p.m. Friday and resume its normal schedule at 7:45 a.m. Tuesday.

## Art exhibit

An exhibition of art structure problems is on display in Bronson Hall room 336 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The show will run for two weeks.

## Law Society

There will be a meeting of the Government and Law Society Wednesday to elect officers and discuss activities for the coming year. The meeting will be held in Bronson Hall, room 421 at 1 p.m.

## Club presidents

Notice to all organization presidents: The Bagatelle staff is in the process of taking organization pictures. Contact Leisa Maples to set up a picture taking date for your organization. This must be done within the next four weeks. These arrangements can also be made through the Bagatelle office (ext. 228) or by notifying Leisa Maples at 742-1859, or Rodney Watson at 746-9454.

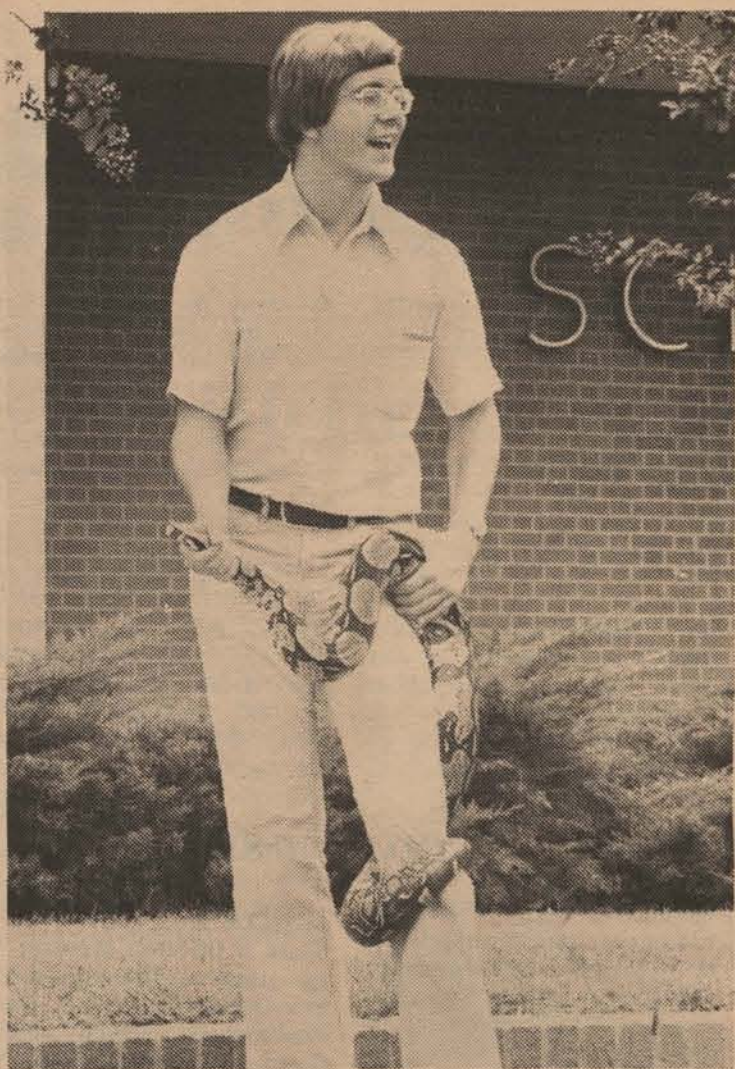
## French speaking students

All French-speaking students are invited for sack lunch, conversation, French music, and slides Tuesdays at noon in Bronson Hall, 132.

## Dr. John Richie

Dr. John Richie, supervisor of Psychiatry at LSUS Med School, will talk on "Psychoanalysis and Freudian Theory" Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Bronson Hall, room 110. Members who plan to attend should sign up in Dr. Vigen's office. A club meeting will be held at 6 p.m. prior to Dr. Richie's talk for the purpose of electing officers. Nominations are being accepted by Dr. Vigen, assistant professor of psychology and Dr. Flicker, assistant professor of psychology.





Although holding the snake is not a biology requirement, Steven Micinski, Biology Club president, enjoys walking "Slim", a permanent resident of the Life Science Museum. (photo: Rocky Goodwin)

## GREEK BEAT

by GINA GORDEY

#### KAPPA ALPHA

The Delta Chi Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Order inducted eight new pledges into the Order August 29. They are: David Simmons, Paul Holefield, Billy Shepherd, Mark Farmer, Ronnie Boswell, Mark Stephens, Wayne Tyler and Andy Murphy.

#### ZETA TAU ALPHA

Eta Omega chapter pledged the following girls in open rush: Stephanie Gregory, Sharon Sammons, Mary Jane Kelley, Leslie Gaulding, Mary Hagmeyer, Kathy Gaither and Diane Wells.

#### DELTA SIGMA PHI

Recent Pledges to Delta Sigma Phi, international special fraternity, are: Bill Bolinger, Nelson Cameron, Nick Goeger, Lance Graham, Freddy Hill, Mike Norman, Jerry Smith, Steve Schroeder, Clay Vise and Chris Smith. New faculty advisor for Delta Sig is Gary Pickett, associate professor of Business.

Little Theater production

## "Fair Lady" lacks distinction

by ELEANOR CULLICK

Technical problems, miscasting, uninspired direction, and the limitations of the Shreveport Little Theater have interfered in making the current offering a production of distinction.

"My Fair Lady" is about Eliza Doolittle, the little guttersnipe with the horrible Cockney accent who falls under the tutelage of Professor Henry Higgins and his friend, Colonel Pickering. Together, they transform the street urchin into a lady. Featuring the glorious music of Lerner and Loewe, this musical has become a staple of the American theatre.

**ALTHOUGH DIRECTOR** Michael Vetrie did well with "Man of La Mancha" a few seasons back, this play has so many scene changes that, unless those changes can be executed with a minimum of time and effort, the show simply should not be done. And this, I fear, is the problem with the Little Theater show.

There are interminable waits between scenes; the curtain is raised and lowered countless times and the lag causes the first act to drag on and on with the action very choppy. There was no life in the proceedings, the action was not sustained, and no one turned in a consistent performance. Cecilia Kelly's dances looked cramped, were extraneous, and featured rather unimaginative choreography.

Designer Kay Baucom set the Ascot Race scene in front of two white, free standing pieces with a bit of greenery stuck on. The number is done in pastels instead of the traditional black and white and was disappointing.

**THE MAIN** set, Higgins library, was against the back wall, looked unfinished and was sparsely furnished, with the entire left side of the stage completely empty.

Awkward entrances and exits were made through curtains in the wings. The front of the house was suggested by a wheel-on platform with a door. When the main set was not in use, a black

scrim dropped down, barely concealing it.

Several library scenes were blocked completely behind a sofa with a downstage area barely used, but in the solo musical numbers, the director reversed himself and forced his actors downstage. Therefore, Eliza's "Just You Wait" was cramped; Higgins "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face" was done in front of the house rather than inside where use of the room might have made it come off better; and "Rain in Spain" was dull and lifeless.

**VETRIE HAS** borrowed the freeze action for his chorus but it hardly works here. Costuming by Allyson Larrison is adequate but hardly sumptuous.

Bob Weimar as Higgins is relaxed and likeable, although he lacks the necessary arrogance for this role. He sang his numbers quite well, but he and others experienced difficulty keeping tempo with the orchestra which was situated in a loft over the stage area.

The Eliza of Liz Abramson looked and sang well, but she and all others had difficulty with their English accents.

**GROTESQUELY AGED.** Gary Thomas as Alfred P.

Doolittle, was too young for the role and turned in a performance devoid of the necessary spark and zest.

Paul Aubert gave a rather curious portrayal of the usually blustery character of Pickering, given to posturing and acting "stagy." The usually capable actor looked stiff and uncomfortable.

This is a very long show, running a little over three hours with the first act a solid two hours. This was, in no small part, due to the insurmountable technical problems involved. We seriously question the advisability of staging a musical of this scope in a theatre which is much better suited to small productions. In other words, unless a show can be done well, why do it?

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### Art Department sponsors Texas bus trip

The Art Department will charter a bus to Fort Worth, Texas, October 2, to see the "fauves" paintings at the Kimbell Art Museum. Fauvism was the first art movement of the 20th century. Although it was short-lived it has influenced modern art, according to Ann Terzia, assistant professor of Fine Arts.

**MORE THAN 100** oil paintings and related drawings and sculptures will be shown. Organized by the New York Museum of Modern Art, the exhibition was made possible by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and SCM

Corporation, Terzia said.

The show documents the work of a group of artists who in 1905 were called "fauves" because of their use of bold and "unnatural" colors.

**IN ADDITION** to more than 20 works by Matisse, the show will include many paintings by Derain and Dufy, Georges Braque, Kees van Dongen, Maurice de Vlaminck and others. Paintings by Vincent Van Gogh and Claude Monet, are included as precursors of Fauvism.

The trip is open to all students, faculty and staff, the price of

round trip including bus fare and insurance is \$15. Reservations should be made in Bronson Hall, room 123. The bus will leave from the Bronson parking lot at 7 a.m. and will return by 10:30 p.m.

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## Brown heads new IM staff

by RENEE SLETTE

The Intramurals office is heading up the student phase of this program with Tommy Brown, the student IM director. Brown replaces Marvin Street who previously served in this position.

Brown is a junior pre-Med major who comes from the small town of Converse. Being raised in Converse has contributed to Brown's decision to become an "old-fashioned country doctor, the vanishing General Practitioner." He would like to open up a family practice in a small town where he can pursue his favorite pastimes of hunting and fishing.

HUNTING AND fishing are not only Brown's pastimes, but also a livelihood. On weekends he serves as a fishing guide to those who might not be so lucky as to know those secret spots. The money he earns goes to help pay his way through school.

Brown has managed to achieve scholastic recognition along with his extracurricular activities. He presently serves as first vice-president of Alpha Sigma Omicron, LSUS Honor Society and is parliamentarian of Eta Sigma Gamma, the Health Science Club.

When Brown came to LSUS in 1974 he played basketball and softball with the Misfits. That



Tommy Brown

fall they won second place in basketball, moving up to become the Spring '76 basketball and softball champions. Not only has Brown proven his capabilities playing with the Misfits but also in individual sports. He is the current badminton champ for the third

consecutive semester.

ASSISTING BROWN is David Welch, student supervisor for Men's Sports. Welch, a junior Business Administration major, has participated in sports since high school where he served as captain of his football and basketball teams. He has also played on the LSU flag football team in Baton Rouge, making it to the finals. At LSUS he was on the second place basketball team this spring and is captain of Welch's Independents, a flag football team.

There are still openings for student supervisors of Women's Sports and Corecreational Sports and Informal Recreation.

All applications will be considered and should be made in Bronson Hall, room 142.

## Sports begin

The month of September is thought of as the beginning of all activities associated with fall. The IM staff has arranged many activities to keep students occupied in their leisure hours.

The weekend of September 10-11, the Softball Tournament will be held on the field by the Snack Bar. All teams and individuals are to sign up by Sept. 9. Sept. 18, there will be a badminton tournament. It will be held at Fort Humbug. Following these on Sept. 25 is the Ping-pong tournament. This event will be held at the Snack Shack.

All teams and play times will be posted on the IM bulletin board across from Bronson Hall, room 142.



The PE classes are underway and rolling along smoothly as evidenced by this bicycling class. Students have the opportunity to participate in the activities they enjoy while receiving credit for their fun. (photo: Rocky Goodwin)

## Shreveport ahead by 2

The Shreveport Captains are presently in first place in the AA Texas League. They are now two games out in front of Jackson, according to Buck Gagle, Shreveport Captains spokesman.

The club has eight games left in the season, the next three are to be played in Lafayette. The Captains will then return to Shreveport to play their last five games against Arkansas.

The winning combination is seven, Gagle said. Jackson must lose seven games or any combination of the two. The winner in the league will then go into a five-game playoff with either El Paso or Amarillo, presently tied in their league.

Many promotional activities are planned. Student rates are available. For information call the Captains office at 424-6505.

## Sport Shorts

### Deadline

All flag football applications are to be turned in by 3 p.m. today. This includes the Men's, Women's and Corecreational team and individual entries. The Captain's meeting for the Corecreational flag football teams will be held today. Check the IM bulletin board for time and place.

### Volleyball

Individual Men's and Women's Volleyball Teams entries are due today by 3 p.m. Play will begin Sept. 9. All schedules will be posted on the IM bulletin board.

### Tennis

Today is the final day to add you name to the tennis ladder. Applications will be accepted until 3 p.m. Bring them by Bronson Hall, room 130 or 142.

## Classified

### Rackets

For sale. New and used tennis rackets from \$6.00 to \$14.00. See Joe Patrick, Bronson Hall Room 253 or call ext. 260. Home phone 865-3836.

### Models

Wanted. Models for art class. 9:30 a.m.-noon Tuesday, Thursday. Must be full time students (min. 12 hours) please contact Ms. Cheryl Savoy ext. 322. Bronson Hall, room 320.

### Personal

Last semester's Almagest Editor, please return all article stolen from office. Including one book of synonyms, one picture sizing wheel and anything else you skipped town with. Please return all articles to Bronson Hall, room 328.

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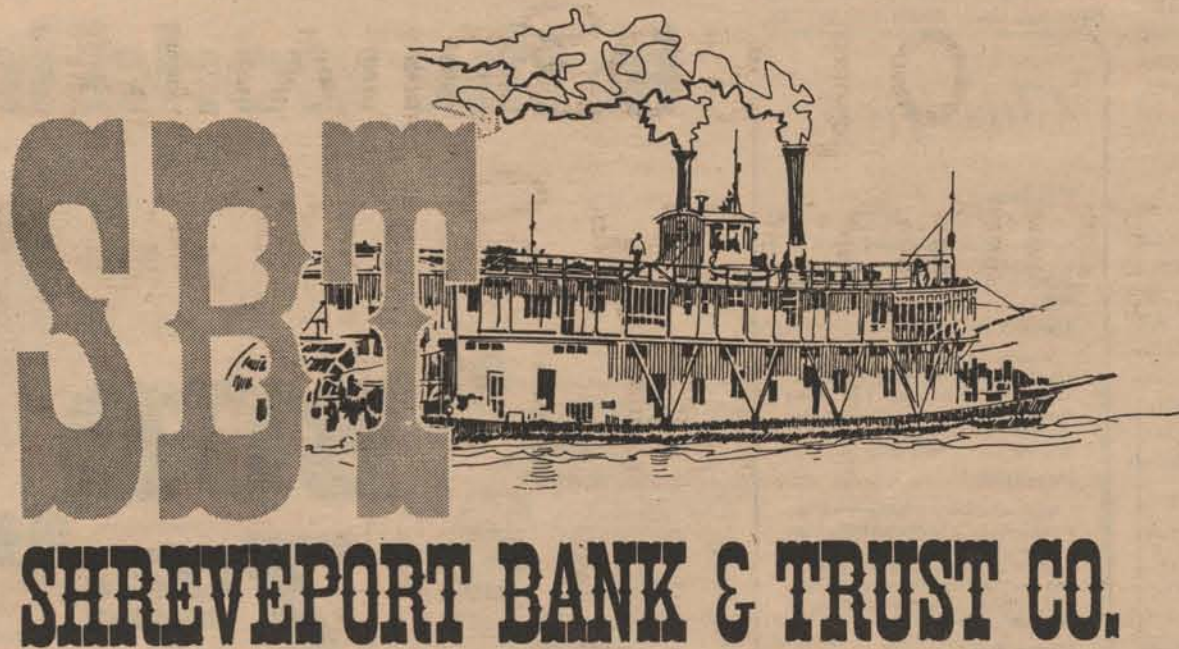
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